(c) by when these plans are likely to be completed and at what cost?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Re-spacing of signals on the through lines (fast corridor) between Bombay VT and Kalyan has been completed. Re-spacing of signals on the local lines (slow corridor) between Bombay VT and Kalyan is an approved work. The detailed scope of the work is under finalisation and the work will be taken up thereafter.

(b) The following stations have been identified for immediate face-lift and extension of platforms:—

(i) Face-Lift
Kalyan, Thane and Mumbra.

(ii) Extension of Platforms
Mulund, Bhandup, Vikhroli, Shelu, Ambernath, Badlapur, Shahad, Ambivli and Titwala.

(c) (i) Facelifting at Mumbra, is likely to be completed by 1996-97 and at Kalyan and Thane by 1997-98. The total estimated cost of facelifting is Rs. 543.88 lakhs,
(ii) Extension of platforms has already been completed at 3 stations viz. Mulund, Bhandup and Vikhroli. The work at remaining 6 stations is likely to be completed by 1995-96. The total estimated cost of extension of platforms is Rs. 75.30 lakhs.

Infiltration of Foreign Merehenaries in the Country

1193. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: WiH the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to intelligence reports, ISI activists have established their foothold in various parts of the country for subversive activities;

(b) whether it is a fact that ISI have pushed mercenaries from other countries also alongwith their activists into the country;

(c) whether Government have been able to identify the nationality of these foreign mercenaries;

(d) if so, what is their number and country-wise break-up; and

(e) what steps Government have taken in this matter and intensifying it to check their further influx?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (e) It is a fact that ISI has been master-minding subversion, sabotage and espionage activities in parts of the country. It has also been found using international smugglers, underworld operators, religious fanatics and foreign mercenaries to carry out its nefarious designs. It will, however, not be in public interest to diseases further details in this regard. Government are deeply concerned about Pakistan's continued support to subversion and terrorism directed against India. Government have on several occasions urged Pakistan to stop this support which is totally unacceptable and is in violation to the universally accepted norms of inter-State conduct and the provisions of the Shimla the designs of ISI by sensitising and gearing up the intelligence machinery, sharing of intelligence and coordinated action by the concerned Central and State agencies.

Persons Detained under TADA

1194. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons still detained under TADA and the number of cases which are pending; and

(b) the number of persons convicted under TADA; and the number of persons who have been released?